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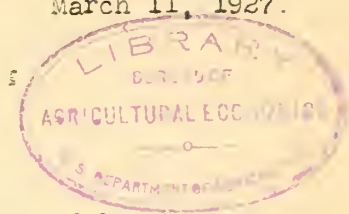
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THE HAMBURG APPLE MARKET

The Hamburg market for American apples as evidenced by the auction held on Thursday, March 10, 1927, is showing some weakness but prices, particularly for barreled stock, held up better than was anticipated, according to quotations cabled by Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Prices paid for barreled varieties continued considerably above the range prevailing in Liverpool on March 9, but most of the boxed apples sold below the Liverpool auction level.

Hamburg supplies of both boxed and barreled stock are heavy, states Mr. Smith. The condition of many of the barreled apples was poor. Such fruit sold at from \$2.31 to \$3.65 per barrel. Many boxed varieties showed heavy (over 10%) decay. Such fruit sold at from \$1.95 to \$2.55 per box. Barreled apples in good condition ranged from \$5.84 to \$7.54 per barrel as against \$5.60 to \$8.03 per barrel last week. Good condition box stock ranged from \$2.19 to \$3.89 per box as compared with \$2.43 to \$4.87 per box last week. Comparable varieties and grades of good condition fruit in Liverpool on Wednesday, March 9, ranged from \$4.01 to \$5.11 for barreled stock and from \$3.35 to \$3.53 for boxed stock.

The following table shows the spread between prices paid in the Hamburg and Liverpool auctions of March 9 and 10:

Variety and Grade	Origin	Price		
		Hamburg		Liverpool
		March 3, 1927	March 10, 1927	March 9, 1927
		Per bbl	Per bbl	Per bbl
Baldwin:				
A-2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch up	New York	\$5.60 - 7.30	\$5.84 - 7.30	\$4.14 - 4.87
Winesap:				
A-2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch up	Virginia	6.08 - 8.03	5.84 - 7.30	3.41 - 4.38
Ben Davis:				
A-2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch up	New York	5.60 - 7.30	5.84 - 7.30	4.01 - 4.08
Rhode Island Greening:				
A-2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch up	"	7.06 - 8.03	6.57 - 7.54	4.38 - 5.11
		Per box	Per box	Per box
Winesap:				
Extra Fancy, 163/175	Washington	2.92 - 3.65	2.92 - 3.28	3.35 - 3.53
Ortley:				
Extra Fancy, 163/175	Oregon	3.41 - 4.87	2.92 - 3.89	a/
Yellow Newtown:				
Extra Fancy, 163/175	"	2.43 - 3.89	2.19 - 3.16	3.35 - 3.41

a/ None quoted.

